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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2095

Introduced by Assembly Member Campos
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alejo, Beall, Fong, Ma, Mansoor,
Solorio, and Wieckowski)

February 23, 2012

An act to ~~amend~~ *add and repeal* Section ~~401.12~~ *101.13* of the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2095, as amended, Campos. State highways: signs for culturally unique and historically significant communities.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of the state highway system and associated property. Existing law authorizes the department to place signs on state highways directing motorists to culturally unique and historically significant communities within the geographic boundaries of a city, county, or city and county under certain conditions. Among these conditions is a requirement for the governing body of the city, county, or city and county in which the community is located to adopt a resolution that designates the name of the community, defines the geographic boundaries of the community, and requests the department to post the signs.

This bill would, *until January 1, 2014*, authorize the department to also post signs under these provisions in the absence of compliance

with the above-referenced resolution requirements, if the governing board of the county in which the community is located adopts a resolution conforming with the above-referenced requirements and the city in which the community is located, if any, ~~furnishes documentation~~ *provides a letter from the director of transportation or the city official in charge of transportation matters* indicating that the city is not opposed to the placement of signs. *This bill would also authorize the department to continue to display the signs installed under these provisions after the repeal of these provisions.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 *SECTION 1. Section 101.13 is added to the Streets and*
2 *Highways Code, to read:*

3 101.13. (a) *Notwithstanding Section 101.12, the department*
4 *may, in a manner otherwise consistent with that section, place and*
5 *maintain, or cause to be placed and maintained, signs on state*
6 *highways directing motorists to communities within the*
7 *geographical boundaries of a city, county, or city and county if*
8 *the governing body of the county in which the community is located*
9 *adopts a resolution fulfilling the requirements of subdivision (i)*
10 *of Section 101.12, and the city in which the community is located,*
11 *if any, provides a letter from the director of transportation or the*
12 *city official in charge of transportation matters indicating that the*
13 *city is not opposed to the placement of signs pursuant to the*
14 *adopted county resolution.*

15 (b) *This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2014,*
16 *and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that*
17 *is enacted before January 1, 2014, deletes or extends that date.*

18 SEC. 2. *The department is authorized, with respect to any sign*
19 *installed during the 2013 calendar year pursuant to Section 101.13*
20 *of the Streets and Highways Code, as added by Section 1 of this*
21 *act, to continue to display that sign, and shall not be required to*
22 *remove the sign, notwithstanding the repeal of that section on*
23 *January 1, 2014.*

24 ~~SECTION 1. Section 101.12 of the Streets and Highways Code~~
25 ~~is amended to read:~~

1 ~~101.12. The department may place and maintain, or cause to~~
2 ~~be placed and maintained, signs on state highways directing~~
3 ~~motorists to communities within the geographical boundaries of~~
4 ~~a city, county, or city and county if all of the following conditions~~
5 ~~are satisfied:~~

6 ~~(a) The name of the community is culturally unique and~~
7 ~~historically significant.~~

8 ~~(b) The name of the community has resulted from the influence~~
9 ~~of a culture over a significant period of time.~~

10 ~~(c) The general public and media commonly recognize the name~~
11 ~~of the community.~~

12 ~~(d) The community is located within a city, county, or city and~~
13 ~~county.~~

14 ~~(e) Signs are consistent with the signing requirements for the~~
15 ~~state highway system.~~

16 ~~(f) The geographical boundary of the community is within three~~
17 ~~miles of the state highway exit.~~

18 ~~(g) Trailblazing signs are installed on the appropriate streets or~~
19 ~~roads prior to installation of signs on the state highway.~~

20 ~~(h) The city, county, or city and county provides funds from~~
21 ~~nonstate sources that cover all costs for the Department of~~
22 ~~Transportation to place and maintain, or cause to be placed and~~
23 ~~maintained, appropriate signs on state highways.~~

24 ~~(i) The governing body of the city, county, or city and county~~
25 ~~in which the community is located adopts a resolution that does~~
26 ~~the following:~~

27 ~~(A) Designates the name of the community that is to be used~~
28 ~~on directional signs.~~

29 ~~(B) Defines the geographical boundaries of the community.~~

30 ~~(C) Requests the department to post signs on state highways.~~

31 ~~(j) Notwithstanding subdivision (i), the department may, in a~~
32 ~~manner otherwise consistent with this section, place and maintain,~~
33 ~~or cause to be placed and maintained, signs on state highways~~
34 ~~directing motorists to communities within the geographical~~
35 ~~boundaries of a city, county, or city and county if the governing~~
36 ~~body of the county in which the community is located adopts a~~
37 ~~resolution fulfilling the requirements of subdivision (i), and the~~
38 ~~city in which the community is located, if any, furnishes~~

- 1 ~~documentation indicating that the city is not opposed to the~~
- 2 ~~placement of signs pursuant to the adopted county resolution.~~

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